

Department of Agriculture required to be maintained by Chapter 6839, Laws of Florida."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 296:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to appropriate money for the maintenance and improvement of the Royal Palm State Park, created by Act of Legislature: Approved June 5, 1915."

With the following amendment:

In Section 1, line 1, strike out the figures "\$5,000.00," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "\$1,000.00."

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that they do pass.

Very respectfully,

A. S. WELLS,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 138 and 296, with the committee amendment to Senate Bill No. 296, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the Senate do now take a recess to 8 o'clock P. M. today.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Senate do now adjourn to 10 o'clock A. M. Monday next.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M., Monday, May 7, 1917.

Monday, May 7, 1917.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Wells, Willis, Wilson—27.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Reading of the Journal dispensed with.

Journal of May 4 was corrected, and approved as corrected.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Mathis, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 390:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the creation, maintenance and control of the West Florida Agricultural School, and for the appropriation of funds for its maintenance, operation and construction.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. MATHIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 390, contained in the above report, was placed on the table, under the rule.

Mr. Mathis, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 426:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to establish a State Museum at the University of Florida and a natural history and ethnological survey of the State of Florida."

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. MATHIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 426, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 300.)

"An Act to authorize and empower the Board of Public Instruction of St. Johns County Florida, to issue interest-bearing coupon warrants for the purpose of securing negotiable warrants, thereby enabling said board to secure a lower rate of interest upon the outstanding indebtedness of the said board, and providing for the payment of said interest-bearing coupon warrants and the cancellation of the present outstanding indebtedness of said board."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 305.)

"An Act to organize a county court in the county of Pasco; to provide for the appointment of a prosecuting attorney for said court; to prescribe for the terms of said court and to make said court a court of record; to provide for the transfer of all causes now pending in the Circuit Court and the Justice of the Peace Court to said court for further consideration, which causes will be within the jurisdiction of said county court; to provide for the drawing of the first jury, etc."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 369.)

"An Act to prescribe the qualifications of electors in

municipal elections to be held in the town of Orange City, Florida."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 327.)

"An Act to amend Section Two of Chapter 6692 of the Laws of the State of Florida, entitled 'An Act affecting the government of the city of Gainesville, and conferring additional jurisdiction, powers and duties of said city, and creating said offices.'"

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 251.)

"An Act to authorize and direct the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions to sell the Steamer Roamer."

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 300.)

An Act to authorize and empower the Board of Public Instruction of St. Johns County, Florida, to issue interest bearing coupon warrants for the purpose of securing negotiable warrants, thereby enabling said Board to secure a lower rate of interest upon the outstanding indebtedness of the said Board, and providing for the payment of said interest bearing coupon warrants and the cancellation of the present outstanding indebtedness of said Board.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 305.)

An Act to organize a county court in the County of

Pasco; to prescribe for the appointment of a Prosecuting Attorney for said Court; to prescribe for the terms of said Court and to make said Court a Court of Record; to provide for the transfer of all causes now pending in the Circuit Court and the Justice of the Peace Court to said Court for further consideration, which causes will be within the jurisdiction of said County Court; to provide for the drawing of the first jury, etc.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 369.)

An Act to prescribe the qualifications of electors in municipal elections to be held in the Town of Orange City, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 327.)

An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 6692 of the Laws of the State of Florida, entitled "An Act affecting the government of the City of Gainesville, and conferring additional jurisdiction, powers and duties of said city, and creating said offices."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 251.)

An Act to authorize and direct the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions to sell the steamer Roamer.

Beg to report that the same have been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 74.)

An Act providing for the creation of Okeechobee

County in the State of Florida, and for the organization and the government thereof.

Have carefully examined the same, and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Act contained therein was referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 74.)

An Act providing for the creation of Okeechobee County in the State of Florida, and for the organization and the government thereof.

Have carefully examined the same, and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Act was then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Fogarty, Chairman of the Committee on Public Health, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 361:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1261, of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the appointment of a State Chemist.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that the same do pass.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 395:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the exposure of the private parts of a person in public in the presence of the opposite sex.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that the same do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. M. FOGARTY,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills. Nos. 361 and 395, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Fogarty, Chairman of the Committee on Public Health, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 338:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for and have done necessary dental work for the inmates of all the prisons, penitentiaries, reform schools and certain other State institutions, and to provide funds for carrying this Act into effect.

Have had the same under consideration and report the same without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

J. M. FOGARTY,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 338, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 73:

A Bill to be entitled An Act establishing a State Library, providing for a State Librarian and a Board of Trustees for the State Library, prescribing the duties, powers and responsibilities of said Librarian and Board of Trustees, and providing an appropriation for carrying out the provisions of this Act.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 73, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Wilson offered the following Resolution:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12:

Whereas, In a moment of feverish excitement incident to the declaration of war against Germany the Legislature, by Concurrent Resolution, voted to place guards by day and night around the Capitol and other State institutions; and

Whereas, It now appears that the alarm was false and without warrant or justification; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives

concurring, That the aforesaid Resolution be and the same is hereby rescinded, and the useless expense of maintaining these guards be dispensed with.

Which was laid over under the rule.

Mr. Baker offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 22:

Whereas, The leading newspapers seem to have exhausted their supply of authentic legislative news; and

Whereas, The propensities of certain members of this body are to pass fewer laws and for a better enforcement of those already on the Statutes, against the wishes and proclivities of said newspapers; and,

Whereas, Certain members of this body have been grossly misquoted; therefore be it

Resolved, That the press reporters for the various newspapers be asked to confine themselves to facts hereafter.

Mr. Baker moved to adopt the resolution.

The further consideration of the resolution was deferred until tomorrow.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. King—

Senate Bill No. 430:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2919 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida as to the allowance or free or reduced rates of transportation by common carriers.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Canals and Telegraphs.

By Committee on Education—

Senate Bill No. 431:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the organization and election of County Boards of Public Instruction, and fixing their compensation.

Which was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

By Mr. Plympton—

Senate Bill No. 432:

A Bill to be entitled An Act defining the standard for gasoline used for illuminating and power purposes, and

regulating the manufacture, measure and sale thereof, in the State of Florida, and providing for the appointment of gasoline inspectors, and levying an inspection tax on all gasoline used for illuminating or power purposes sold or offered for sale in the State of Florida; prescribing the duties of certain officers in carrying out the provisions of said Act; imposing an inspection fee and tax upon dealers; providing for the disposition of moneys collected; and fixing penalties for the violation of said Act.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

By Mr. Willis—

Senate Bill No. 433:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2712, General Statutes of Florida, relating to the amount of indebtedness which banking and trust companies, and companies doing a banking business may be liable for at any time.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Banking.

By Mr. Wilson—

Senate Bill No. 434:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 4, Acts of 1917, Laws of Florida, same being An Act to amend the charter of the City of Sarasota, being Chapter 6768, Acts of Florida, and Chapter 7241, Acts of 1915, Laws of Florida, by amending Sections 1 and 2 of said Chapter 7241 Acts of 1915, and adding two additional Sections to said charter to be known as Section 39 (c) and Section 53 (b).

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 434 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 434 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 434 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 434 was read a third time in full

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Igon, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Wells, Willis, Wilson—25.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. Hughlett—

Senate Bill No. 435:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 7251 of the Laws of Florida, the same being entitled, "An Act to amend Sections 31 and 76 of Chapter 6108 of the Laws of Florida, the same being entitled, 'An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Titusville, in the County of Brevard, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the city of Titusville, and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.'"

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 435 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 435 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 435 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 435 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Igon, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Sheppard, Terrell, Willis, Wilson—22

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. Fogarty—

Senate Bill No. 436:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 5964, Laws of Florida, 1909, entitled "An Act to regulate Osteopaths and Osteopathy."

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Moore—

Senate Bill No. 437:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Town of DeFuniak Springs to issue interest-bearing warrants in the sum of three thousand dollars to take up outstanding indebtedness, and six thousand dollars for the purchase of fire fighting equipment.

Which was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 438:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3668 of the General Statutes of Florida, relating to obstruction of navigation by bridges and causeways.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 439:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2840 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the stopping of railroad trains at crossings.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

By Mr. Farris—

Senate Bill No. 440:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to regulate the employment of females and fixing the minimum compensation to be paid them.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

The following message from the Governor was read:

Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.
Sir:

Herewith I am transmitting for the consideration of the Legislature copy of a communication received from Hon. W. G. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury, Washington, D. C.

Respectfully,
(Signed) SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor.

Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington, April 21, 1917.

My Dear Governor:

In your letter of March 12 you advised me that you were recommending in your message to the Legislature that a law making Farm Loan Bonds legal investment for all public and private funds in your State be enacted.

I am again calling this matter to your attention lest in the pressure of official duties you lost sight of the importance which attaches to this legislation at this time. It is anticipated that the first issue of the Farm Loan Bonds will be on the market by June 1, and I am anxious to have this legislation enacted prior to that date in order to make the broadest possible market for the bonds.

While I regard this legislation of vital importance before the declaration of war with Germany was made, I now feel that it is even more vital and pressing. Past and present demonstrates that the production of foodstuffs is the real first line of defense. It is most important that at this time, of all times, money should be furnished to the farmers in whatever amounts necessary at a rate of interest which will induce them to cultivate their land as extensively and intensively as possible.

The Federal Farm Loan Board has fixed the interest rate to be charged to the farmers throughout the United States at 5 per cent for a period of from five to forty years. Applications at the present time for loans exceed \$125,000,000. This, with the system scarcely established,

indicates how eagerly the farmers are availing themselves of the benefits to be derived under the Federal Farm Loan System.

Trusting that I may count upon your co-operation, and with kindest personal regards, I am,
Cordially yours,

W. G. McADOO,
Secretary.

HON. SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor of Florida,
Tallahassee, Florida.

The Governor's communication was referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 347:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Palm Beach, in Palm Beach County, Florida; to legalize and validate the ordinances of said Town of Palm Beach, and official acts thereunder; to create and establish a new municipality to be known as the Town of Palm Beach, in Palm Beach County, Florida; and to fix and provide its territorial limits, jurisdictions and powers of its officers.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 347, contained in the above mes-

sage, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 77:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to give the Florida Railroad Commission authority to fix the rates of toll on any toll bridge which, including the approaches thereto, is more than three miles in length, now constructed or to be hereafter constructed over and across the waters of any river, bay, bayou and other body of water in the State of Florida, and to provide for the maximum rates of toll thereon, the hour during which said toll bridge shall remain open for traffic, and authorizing the said Railroad Commission to make rules and regulations respecting the same, and providing for the enforcement thereof.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

And House Bill No. 77, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Carlton moved that House Bill No. 77 be substituted for Senate Bill No. 291 on the Calendar.

Which was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 77 took the place of Senate Bill No. 291 on the Calendar.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 524:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and validate the issue of \$10,000 bonds for the City of New Smyrna, a municipal corporation in Volusia County, Florida, for the erection and extension and completion of a water-works system for said city, and authorizing issuance of said bonds of the City of New Smyrna, Florida in the amount of \$10,000, prescribing the form and details of said bonds, and providing for the collection of the taxes to pay the principal and interest thereof.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 524, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 227:

A Bill to be entitled An Act fixing the compensation of County Commissioners in counties having a population of from thirty-seven thousand up to fifty thousand persons.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 227, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 129:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to establish a State Board of Embalming, to provide for the better protection of life and health, to prevent the spread of contagious diseases, and to regulate the practice of embalming and the care and disposition of the dead.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 129, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 20:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1604 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida relating to interest upon judgments.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 20, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 571:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the organization, equipment and maintenance of county guards, to prescribe its powers, duties and regulations, to provide for its maintenance, its term of service, and prescribing the duties of the County Commissioners in relation thereto.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 571, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Militia.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read—

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 309:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making it unlawful for any bank or trust company organized and doing business in this State to loan any of the funds of said bank or trust company to any officer thereof; or to loan an amount exceeding fifteen (15) per cent of the aggregate capital and surplus to any director thereof; or to invest any of the proceeds of any such bank or trust company in stock of another corporation, or in bonds other than government, State, county, municipal or district bonds; or to issue certificates of deposit for anything except cash deposited concurrently with the issuance of said certificates with said bank or trust company; or to carry among the assets of said bank or trust company any note, obligation or security which is not actually owned by said bank or trust company; and prescribing penalties for any violation of the provisions of said Act.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 309, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Banking.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 230:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 775 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, as amended by Chapter 6240, of the Acts of the Legislature of 1911, relating to compensation of County Commissioners.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 230, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 23:

A Bill to be entitled An Act in relation to payment of deposits in two or more names.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 23, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted—

House Concurrent Resolution No. 17:

A Concurrent Resolution relative to the Appropriation Committee of the Senate and House, a list of continuing appropriations, not included in the general appropriations Bill, and other expenditures.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Concurrent Resolution No. 17, contained in the above message was read the first time in full and was laid over for consideration under the rules.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 46:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing counties to exercise the right of eminent domain, to acquire property for certain purposes, prescribe the procedure in such actions, and providing for the payment of property so acquired.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 46, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 32:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for and setting aside certain lands to the Seminole Indians as a reservation, providing for trustees, in whom the title to said lands shall be vested for the use and benefit of said Indians.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 32, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The motion by Mr. Igou to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 267 passed the Senate.

Which motion was made Friday and went over under the rule.

Was taken up in its order.

The question was put and the Senate reconsidered its vote in refusing to pass Senate Bill No. 267—

Senate Bill No. 267:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create a State convict road force and to authorize the working of certain prisoners on same; to provide for their housing, feeding, clothing, guarding and general care; to provide for their transportation, supervision and the general conditions under which they shall be worked; and providing funds with which to carry into effect the general provisions thereof.

Was taken up for consideration by consent.

Mr. Middleton offered the following substitute for Senate Bill No. 267:

Substitute Senate Bill No. 267:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create a State convict road force to authorize the working of certain prisoners on same; to provide for their housing, feeding, clothing, guarding and general care; to provide for their transportation, supervision and the general conditions under which they shall be worked.

Mr. Middleton moved that Senate Bill No. 267, together with the substitute offered, take its place as a continuing order and that 200 copies of the Substitute be printed.

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

The motion of Mr. Farris to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 37 passed the Senate.

Which motion was made Friday and went over under the rule.

Was taken up in its order.

The question was put and the Senate reconsidered the vote by which House Bill No. 37 passed the Senate.

Mr. Calkins moved that the House of Representatives be requested to return House Bill No. 37 to the Senate for the purpose of the further consideration of the same.

Which was agreed to.

And the request was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

The motion made by Mr. Roland to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 14 passed the Senate.

Which motion was made Friday and went over under the rule.

Was taken up in its order.

The question was put and the Senate reconsidered the vote by which the Senate passed Senate Bill No. 14.

Mr. Roland moved that the House of Representatives be requested to return Senate Bill No. 14, transmitted to them on May 4, for further consideration.

Which was agreed to.

And the request was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 354:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the tenure of office of all officers who are required by law to be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate or to be appointed by the Governor by and with the consent of the Senate.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

Mr. Fogarty moved that Senate Bills Nos. 354 and 349 be made a special order for consideration tomorrow immediately after the consideration of House Bills.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 265:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting the use of the public roads of this State for traffic of an unusual or destructive character.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

The substitute offered in lieu of the original Bill was also read.

Mr. Middleton moved that the substitute offered for the Bill be read the second time.

Which was agreed to.

And the substitute was again read in full.

Mr. Middleton moved to adopt the substitute to Senate Bill No. 265 in lieu of the original Bill.

Mr. Oliver moved to lay the Substitute on the table.

Mr. Wells moved as a substitute to the motion to adopt that the further consideration of the Bill and substitute be temporarily passed over.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 89:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of George

Lewis, Trustees for the estates of B. C. Lewis, William Bailey, John McDougall and P. B. Brokaw.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Mr. Johnson moved to waive the rules and that the further consideration of Senate Bill No. 89 be deferred until 4 o'clock P. M. tomorrow.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 104:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to grant a pension to Mrs. Celia Worth, of Manatee County, Florida.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

The further consideration of Senate Bill No. 104 was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 425:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Comptroller to pay for all services rendered, and for all subsistence, supplies and transportation furnished, to the State of Florida, in the suppression of Indian hostilities in the last war with the Seminoles in the years 1855 and 1856.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no Amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 425 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 137:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making appropriations for the support and maintenance of the State Institutions for Higher Education created and required to be maintained by Chapter 5384 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 5, 1905, now known as the University of Florida, the Florida State College for Women, the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind, and the Agricultural and Mechanical College for Negroes; and for the support and maintenance of summer schools created by Chapter 6498, Laws of Florida, approved June 5, 1913.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate Bill No. 137 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 137 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Wells, Willis, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 164 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 168 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 183:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of J. F. Williams in the matter of examining a life insurance company in this State and making an appropriation thereof.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate Bill No. 183 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 183 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, Middleton, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Terrell, Wells, Willis, Wilson—20.

Nays—Senators Baker, Crawford, Greene, MacWilliams, Moore, Sheppard—6.

So the Bill, not receiving the Constitutional three-fifths vote of all the members of the Senate, failed to pass.

Mr. Calkins moved to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 183 failed to pass the Senate.

Mr. Calkins moved to waive the rules and that the Senate do now take up for consideration the motion to reconsider.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the motion to reconsider was taken up.

The question was put and the Senate reconsidered the vote by which the Bill failed to pass.

And the Bill was again before the Senate.

Mr. Wells moved to waive the rules and that the Bill be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary B.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

House Bill No. 242:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and directing the State Board of Institutions of the State of Florida to employ guards, detectives and secret service men for the purpose of guarding and protecting all public property and buildings belonging to the State of Florida, and to fix compensation therefor, and to appropriate moneys to defray the expense incurred thereby, and to empower all and singular the Sheriffs throughout the State of Florida with the consent of the Board of County Commissioners of their several counties to employ and deputize special deputies, detectives, secret service men and guards for the protection of all public property within their respective counties and empowering the Board of County Commissioners to fix the compensation therefor.

Mr. Johnson moved that House Bill No. 242 be returned to the House of Representatives for the engrossment of the Bill.

Senate Bill No. 224:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for uniform courses of study for the elementary and high schools of the State of Florida, to create a Commission to prepare such courses of study, to provide for their adoption and enforcement, and to make appropriation therefor.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be waived, and that Senate Bill No. 224 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 224 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Wells, Willis, Wilson—23.

Nays—Mr. President, Senator Greene—2.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Bill No. 213:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 5596, Acts of 1907, relating to exemptions from taxation in this State.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 213, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Willis, Wilson—23.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 67 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 223 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Mr. Jones moved that Senate Bills Nos. 223 and 283 be made a special order for consideration at 11 o'clock A. M. Wednesday, May 9.

Which was agreed to.

House Bill No. 73:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to grant the water front, riparian rights and submerged lands, and lands reclaimed or filled in, in front of the property of the town of Pass-a-Grille, lying south of Miles street, and extended east on the east side of said town, to which the State may have any title or right of possession to the Town of Pass-a-Grille.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of House Bill No. 73 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams,

Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Willis, Wilson—25.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—
(Senate Bill No. 74.)

An Act providing for the creation of Okeechobee County in the State of Florida, and for the organization and the government thereof.

The Act was therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Igou moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate took a recess to 4 o'clock P. M. this day.

MONDAY AFTERNOON—4 O'CLOCK.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—24.

A quorum present.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS ON THE SECOND READING.

House Bill No. 410:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to protect and regulate the game, wild animals and birds of the State of Florida and to provide for the enforcement of this Act.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Wells moved that House Bill No. 410 be read and amended by sections.

Which was agreed to.

Section 1 was read.

Section 2 was read.

Mr. Hughlett offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

Add to Section 2, in continuation of line 11, "Provided, however, that the provisions of this Section shall not apply in the case of the English sparrows, the great horned owl, the coopers hawk, the turkey buzzard and the black vulture."

Mr. Hughlett moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Section 3 was read.

Mr. Wells offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 3, line 6, strike out the words "Feb. 1st and insert in lieu thereof the following: "March 1st."

Mr. Wells moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Section 4 was read.

Section 5 was read.

Section 6 was read.

Mr. Wells offered the following Amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 6, line 3, after the word "turkey" add "geese."

Mr. Wells moved to adopt the Amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Section 7 was read.

Section 8 was read.

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following Amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 8, lines 2 and 3, strike out the words "February 1st and November 20th" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "June 15th and September 1st."

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the Amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Calkins offered the following Amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 3, line 9, strike out the words "mud hens."

Mr. Calkins moved to adopt the Amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Calkins offered the following Amendment to House Bill No. 410:

Add at the end of Section 3 the following: "Provided, That this section shall not be construed to include mud or marsh hens."

Mr. Calkins moved to adopt the Amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Section 9 was read.

Mr. Davis offered the following Amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 9, line 5, strike out the words "February 1st and insert in lieu thereof the following: "March 1st."

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the Amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wells offered the following Amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 9, line 4, strike out the words "November 20th" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "September 1st."

Mr. Wells moved to adopt the Amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. McEachern offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 8, strike out the words "February 1st" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "March 1st."

Mr. McEachern moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Section 10 was read.

Section 11 was read.

Section 12 was read.

Section 13 was read.

Section 14 was read.

Section 15 was read.

Section 16 was read.

Mr. Wells offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

Strike out Section 16.

Mr. Wells moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wilson offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

Add to Section 15 the words: "Provided, that it shall not be unlawful to ship any deer out of this State which

they may have in his or her possession at the time this law shall become effective."

Mr. Wilson moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Section 17 was read:

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 8, line 2, after the word "deer" insert the following: "or turkey."

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Section 18 was read.

Section 19 was read.

Section 20 was read.

Section 21 was read.

Section 22 was read.

Section 23 was read.

Section 24 was read.

Section 25 was read.

Mr. Farris offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 24, line 8, strike out the words and figures, "fifteen dollars (\$15.00)" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "twenty-five (\$25.00)."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Moore offered the following Amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 12, line 7, strike out the words "or lands within the election precincts in which such person resides."

Mr. Moore moved to adopt the Amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Turner offered the following Amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 23, line 8, strike out the words "five dollars (\$5.00)," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50)."

Mr. Turner moved to adopt the Amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Moore offered the following Amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 12, line 13, add the following: "Provided

this Act shall not prohibit Confederate veterans of the State hunting in the county in which he resides."

Mr. Moore moved to adopt the Amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Mathis offered the following Amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 25, line 18, strike out the words "County School Fund" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "General Revenue Fund."

Mr. Mathis moved to adopt the Amendment.

Mr. Davis offered the following Substitute for the Amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 25, strike out all after the word "public," line 10.

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the Substitute for the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Section 26 was read.

Mr. Hughlett offered the following amendment to Section 21, House Bill No. 410:

In Section 21, line 10, continued and insert the following: Provided, that non-resident students of military schools may be permitted, in the counties where such schools are located, to hunt during the season for a license tax of \$2.50 each.

Mr. Hughlett moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wells offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In section. 22, lines 13 and 14, strike out the words "Two dollars and fifty cents" and figures "\$2.50" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "One dollar and twenty-five cents and \$1.25."

Mr. Wells moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Section 27 was read.

Section 28 was read.

Section 29 was read.

Section 30 was read.

Section 31 was read.

Section 32 was read.

Section 33 was read.

Section 34 was read.

Section 35 was read.

Section 36 was read.

Section 37 was read.

Section 38 was read.

Section 39 was read.

Section 40 was read.

Section 41 was read.

Section 42 was read.

Section 43 was read.

Section 44 was read.

Section 45 was read.

Mr. Jones offered the following Amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 45, line 1, strike out the words "and special."

Mr. Jones moved the adoption of the Amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Davis offered the following Amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 35, line 10, strike out the words "two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500)," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Eighteen hundred dollars (\$18,000)."

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the Amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wells moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate adopted the Amendment to strike out Section 16.

Mr. Wells moved to waive the rules and that the Senate take up the motion to reconsider at once.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The reconsideration of the vote by which Section 16 was stricken out was placed before the Senate.

The question was put and the Senate reconsidered the vote.

Mr. Davis moved that the further consideration of the Bill be temporarily passed over.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 179-A was taken up for its Third Reading and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Mr. Wells moved to waive the rules and to take up and consider messages from the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Senate proceeded to consider messages from the House of Representatives.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 563:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Miami Beach, in the County of Dade and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and incorporate a city government for the City of Miami Beach; to define its territorial boundaries, to prescribe its jurisdiction, powers and privileges, and for the exercise of same, and to authorize the imposition of penalties for the violation of its ordinances.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 563, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 563 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 563 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 563 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 563 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene,

Hughlett, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 3, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 389:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and validate an election held in the County of Hillsborough, State of Florida, on the 31st day of October, A. D. 1916, to determine by majority of the votes cast at said election whether or not certain territory in said county shall be constituted into a special road and bridge district and bonds to the amount of \$30,000, as proposed by a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners should be issued for the purpose of constructing two bridges in the said county, one over the Little Manatee River and one over the Alafia River, on the Bayshore road; to declare and render valid the said election, and the result as shown by the returns thereof, to cure all irregularities, illegalities, defects or omissions in all proceedings prior to the delivery of said bonds, to legalize and validate the advertisement of the said bonds for sale, and all proceedings had in reference to the same, and to authorize the issue of said bonds, drawing interest at 6 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and the sale of same.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 389, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. Cary A. Hardee,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 257:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 14 of "An Act to appoint Naval Stores Inspectors, to prescribe their duties and fix their compensation to prevent and prohibit adulteration of spirits of turpentine and naval stores, and to provide for the appointment and duties and compensation of a Supervising Inspector of Naval Stores, and prescribe for fixtures and penalties for violating, and methods for the enforcement of and provisions of this Act, approved June 5, 1915."

House amendment:

In Section 1, line 27, between the words "be" and "guilty," insert the word "deemed."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And the House Amendment to Senate Bill No. 257, contained in the above message, was read.

Mr. Wells moved that the Senate do concur in the House Amendment, contained in the above message.

And the Senate concurred in the Amendment.
Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 257, as amended by the House of Representatives, and agreed to by the Senate was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 403:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to relieve the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County, Florida, and to authorize them to expend the \$4,800.00 appropriated and set aside in the budget of 1916-17 for the completion of the Gulf Beach Highway, a public road in Escambia County.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 403, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 357:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the pay of Road Bond Trustees and other road expenses under bond issue of July 25th, 1916, or other bond issues hereafter

had for road building in Taylor County, Florida.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 357, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 413:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the catching of fresh water fish in the streams, lakes or ponds of Jackson County, Florida, during the months of April and May of each year, and providing punishment therefor.

House Amendment:

Strike out "Section 3" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Section 3. Any person who shall violate the provisions of Section 1, or Section 2, of this Act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and punished accordingly."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And the House Amendment to Senate Bill No. 413, contained in the above message, was read.

Mr. Willis moved that the Senate do concur in the House amendment, as contained in the message.

Which was agreed to.

And the amendment was concurred in.

And the Bill, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 393:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the City of Tallahassee to use the balance of any fund derived from the sale of bonds for street improvements.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 393, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 392:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County of Leon to use and expend any portion of the one hundred thousand dollars appropriated for the construction of the Dixie Highway that may remain unexpended after completion of said highway.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 392, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 374:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to validate a certain contract for purchase of a poor farm, entered into on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1916, by the County of Osceola and the County Commissioners of Osceola County, and all the acts and instruments taken and made in connection therewith.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 374, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 567:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to require non-resident persons to pay a license tax to catch fish in the fresh water lakes and rivers in the County of Leon.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 567, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 552:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the appointment, compensation, expenses, duties and powers of probation officers in counties of ninety thousand (90,000) or more population and having two or more Circuit Court Judges.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 552, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 548:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 6 of Article 7 and Section 1 of Article 8 of Chapter 7242 of the Acts of the Legislature of the State of Florida for the year 1915, being An Act entitled: "An Act to abolish the present municipality of the town of Sebring, in DeSoto County, and State of Florida, and to organize and establish a municipality of the town of Sebring, in DeSoto County, and State of Florida, to provide for its government, fix its territorial limits and to prescribe its jurisdiction and power;" and to give to the town of Sebring, DeSoto County, Florida, the power of prohibiting the running at large of live stock upon the streets of said town.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 548, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 546:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida, to employ an attorney-at-law to prosecute those charged with crime before the County Judge's and Justice of the Peace Courts of said county.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 546, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 536:

A Bill to be entitled An Act empowering the County Commissioners of Pinellas County, in the State of Florida, to hard surface or pave county roads and to assess two-thirds of the costs of said hard-surfacing and paving against the abutting property, and issue certificates against said property for a period of ten years divided into ten equal payments with interest not exceeding six per cent. (6 per cent.) per annum, interest payable annually; and providing for a referendum.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 536, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 535:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to validate, ratify and confirm all proceedings had and taken in connection with the creation and organization of Special Road and Bridge District No. 5 of Levy County, Florida, known as Bronson Special Road and Bridge District, and all elections held in said District for the selection of Trustees for said District and fixing the tax millage to be levied and collected therein; and to validate, ratify and confirm all proceedings had and taken in connections with a Special Election held on November 7th, 1916, within said District for the purpose of permitting the qualified Free-Holder Electors, residing within said district, to determine, by majority vote, whether or not the Board of County Commissioners of Levy County, Florida, should issue Scrip of said District, at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, from the date of presentation to the designated depository of the funds of said District and the endorsement thereon by said depository, "No funds with which to cash this warrant" in the amount of \$6,000.00, for the purpose of building, constructing and completing about 8 miles of hard surfaced road leading from Bronson, towards Williston, and about 7½ miles of hard surfaced road leading from Bronson towards Archer to Alachua County line, ratify and confirm and make valid all the subsequent proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners of Levy County, Florida, in the issuance of said \$6,000.00 of scrip, and the levying of special taxes within said District annually, for purpose of paying the principal and interest of said scrip; and to make said \$6,000.00 of scrip, when issued, valid and legal binding obligations of said Special Road and Bridge District No. 5 of Levy County, Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 535, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 485:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida, to levy a special tax for publicity purposes.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 485, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 64:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the time of holding the terms of the Circuit Court in and for the Tenth Judicial Circuit of Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 64, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 518:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to regulate the size of bar and mesh, and length of seines, fished or used in the salt waters of Calhoun County, Florida; providing for the enforcement of this Act, and making any violation hereof a misdemeanor.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 518, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 504:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the employment of detectives by the Solicitor of the Criminal Court of Record in and for Monroe County, Florida, and to provide for funds to pay such detectives.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 504, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 497:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 3 and 10 of Chapter 5985, Acts of 1909, Laws of Florida, the same being An Act relating to road work in Gadsden County.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 497, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 492:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 5, 6 and 8 of An Act entitled: "An Act to create and incorporate a special taxing district in Palm Beach County, State of Florida, to be known as Lake Worth Inlet District, embracing all of the land within the following boundaries, to-wit: 'Beginning at the point of intersection of the Atlantic Ocean with the township line between Townships 41 and 42 south; thence run west along said township line and continuing west to the western boundary of Palm Beach county, Florida; thence run south along western boundary of said Palm Beach county to a point where the township line between Townships 45 and 46, south, according to the United States Government Survey if extended west, would intersect said west line of said Palm Beach county; thence run east on the township line between Townships 45 and 46 south, and continuing east along said township line to its intersection with the range line between ranges 41 and 42 east; thence north along the range line between ranges 41 and 42 east to the point of intersection of said range line with the township line between Townships 43 and 44 south; thence run east along the township line between Townships 43 and 44 south to the Atlantic Ocean; thence run north along the west shore of the Atlantic Ocean to the point of beginning; all being in Palm Beach County, Florida.' And to prescribe the boundaries of said district and to provide for the government and administration of the same, and to define the powers and purposes of said district and of

the Board of Commissioners thereof, and to authorize said Board to construct an inlet in said district to connect the waters of Lake Worth with the Atlantic Ocean and all other works necessary or proper in connection therewith, and to empower said Board to levy and collect taxes upon all the taxable property in said district for said purposes authorized by this Act, and to authorize said Board to borrow money and to issue and sell bonds to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act, and to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and generally to provide for the erection and provide the powers of such district for the construction and maintenance of an inlet in said district connecting the waters of Lake Worth with the Atlantic Ocean."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 492, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Concurrent Resolution No. 18:

A Concurrent Resolution relative to inviting Hon. L. M. Rhodes of the National Farmers Union, to address the Florida Legislature at 8 o'clock tonight.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Concurrent Resolution No. 18, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Fogarty moved to waive the rule and that House Concurrent Resolution No. 18 be read the second time.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The Resolution was read the second time.

Mr. Fogarty moved to adopt the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 249-A:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create, establish and incorporate a Drainage and Reclamation District, to be known and designated as the Port Tampa Drainage District, and define its boundaries, defining its powers, purposes, authorities, liabilities and privileges, and create a Board of Supervisors for said district, and to provide and prescribe its functions, powers, duties, authorities, liabilities and limitations; to authorize and provide for the construction and maintenance of ditches, canals, drains, dikes, reservoirs, seawalls, levees, fills and other works for the drainage, reclamation, filling in, and otherwise improving and benefiting the lands embraced in said district; to provide for the levying and assessing of taxes of the lands embraced in said district, and for the enforcement of the collection thereof; to authorize the Board of Supervisors of said district to borrow money and to issue bonds and dispose of same to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act; to preserve and protect the works and improvements, constructed in said

district hereunder; and to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this Act.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 249-A, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to return to the Senate for its reconsideration—

Senate Bill No. 14:

A Bill to be entitled An Act assenting to and accepting the provisions of An Act of Congress, approved July 11, A. D. 1916, the same being entitled: "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes," and all acts supplementary thereto; and making appropriations to meet the conditions of the Federal Aid Road Act, and providing an assessment of a half mill on all of the taxable property in this State to meet the same.

Also—

House Bill No. 37:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the reading of the Holy Bible and holding devotional exercises in the public schools of the State of Florida.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And upon motion of Mr. Mathis, Senate Bill No. 14, and House Bill No. 37, contained in the above message, were placed on the Calendar as continuing orders.

House Bill No. 410 was again taken up and its consideration resumed.

By permission, Mr. Wells withdrew the amendment to strike out Section 16 of the Bill.

Mr. Oliver offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 410:

In Section 35, add: "Provided, however, that if such assistant receives a salary under and by virtue of any other act providing for the regulation of hunting and fishing, he shall not receive the compensation provided herein; and provided further, that nothing herein shall prevent such first assistant from discharging any duty that may devolve upon him under and by virtue of any other act of the Legislature pertaining to game or fish.

Mr. Oliver moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And House Bill No. 410, as amended by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills to engross the said amendments.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

By Permission—

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 408:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to enable the town of Daytona Beach, Volusia County, Florida, by its proper officers, to issue bonds for such municipal purposes as are and may hereafter be allowed by the laws of Florida and for such other purposes as may be hereinafter allowed, to an amount not to exceed twenty per cent (20%) of the assessed value of the real and personal property within the incorporated limits, the total amount of said bonds, however, never to exceed ten per cent (10%) of the actual

value of all the real and personal property within the town of Daytona Beach, Florida.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 399:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to enable the town of Daytona Beach, Volusia County, Florida, by its proper officers, to purchase or to erect and build a pier or dock extending into the Atlantic Ocean, a distance of not more than fifteen hundred (1,500) feet, and to maintain, operate or lease the same either as a toll or free pier or dock, as the town council may deem best, and to authorize the town of Daytona Beach, by its proper officers to issue bonds for said purpose.

With the following amendment:

At the end of Section 1, strike out the words "as the town council deems best" and insert the following in lieu thereof: "Provided, however, that the power hereby conferred shall in no wise be exercised until the same shall be provided for by ordinance, which shall be ratified by the affirmative votes of two-thirds of all the qualified electors of said town at the next general election."

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that they do pass.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 408, 399, with amendment, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

By permission—

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 194:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to make recitals in de-

crees, judgments, deeds of conveyance and powers of attorney prima facie evidence of the facts so recited when such decree, judgment, deed of conveyance or power of attorney has been recorded more than twenty years; and to prescribe the conditions under which such recitals shall be received in evidence."

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

DOYLE CARLTON,
Vice Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 194, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

By permission—

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 351:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act making the recitals in deeds and mortgages heretofore executed by persons purporting to be heirs of a deceased person prima facie evidence of the matters therein recited, and providing a method by which the recitals in deeds hereafter executed by the heirs of a deceased person, may be made prima facie evidence of the matters therein recited."

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

DOYLE CARLTON,
Vice-Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 351, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rules.

By permission—

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 324:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and empowering the Escambia-Santa Rosa Bridge Corporation, a corporation organized under the laws of Florida, to construct and maintain a toll bridge across the Escambia River and adjacent waters at or near Ferry Pass, and to regulate rates of toll to be charged by said corporation, its successors and assigns for passage over such bridge.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 367:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prescribing that county officers shall be paid salaries, fixing said salaries, and providing how all fees received shall be disposed of.

Have had the same under consideration, and report same without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 324 and 367, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Middleton moved that the Senate do now adjourn. Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. Tuesday, May 8, 1917.

Tuesday, May 8, 1917.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gorn-